

# **Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks**

## **COMMISSION MASTER LIST – WILDLIFE**

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#### **Elk Plan Objectives Change for HD 283 – Final**

FWP proposes to amend the elk population objectives for Hunting District (HD) 283 in the Garnet Elk Management Unit. HD 283 is currently managed with a district-wide objective of 500 +/- 20% (400 to 600) elk. Objectives at the herd-unit scale are necessary for effective elk population management. The proposed herd-unit objectives would be:

- North Hills/Evaro herd: 300 elk
- Jumbo herd: 90 elk
- Gold-Belmont-Morrison herd: 300 elk
- The overall objective for HD 283 would be adjusted from 500 to 690 elk.

#### **Trap pan tension requirement for the 2012-2013 wolf trapping season - Proposed**

FWP recommends adopting an 8 pound minimum trap pan tension setting for wolf traps set in the following proposed area which includes identified lynx habitat in Montana.

Those portions of Trapping Districts 1 and 2 within the following described boundary: From the intersection of US Highway 2 with the Montana-Idaho state line then south and east along US Highway 2 to its intersection with US Highway 93 at Kalispell then southerly along US Highway 93 to its intersection with Interstate 90 then southeasterly along Interstate 90 to its intersection with US Highway 12 at Garrison then easterly along US Highway 12 to its intersection with the Continental Divide at McDonald Pass then northerly along the Continental Divide to its intersection with the Glacier National Park boundary at Marias Pass then westerly and northerly along the Glacier National Park boundary to the US-Canada border then west along said border to its intersection with the Montana-Idaho state line then south along said line to its intersection with US Highway 2 the point of beginning.

#### **Big Lake Acquisition (Region 5) – Final**

#### **Kootenai Valleys Conservation Easement (Region 1) - Final**

#### **Spotted Dog Minerals (Region 2) – Final**

#### **Elk Management Guidelines in Areas with Brucellosis Working Group – Informational**

This informational presentation is to provide additional background information to the Commission and will address the latest FWP efforts towards elk surveillance, elk distribution monitoring and risk analysis.